

**HB 2552-S - DIGEST**

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/17/14)

Requires a person paid to gather signatures of electors on a state or local initiative, referendum, or recall petition to register with the secretary of state and complete either a training program prescribed by the secretary or an online training program made available by the secretary before collecting signatures.

Requires the secretary of state to assign each registered signature gatherer a registration number.

Requires a signature gathering business engaged in the activity of collecting signatures for state or local initiative, referendum, or recall petitions and using paid signature gatherers to register with the secretary of state.

Assesses a fine of five hundred dollars on a prime sponsor of an initiative, referendum, or recall petition or the signature gathering business for each of its paid signature gatherers who are not registered.

Expands the information required on initiative, referendum, and recall petitions.